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**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

In continuation of the AMENDMENT mailed September 14, 2001, the applicant wishes to make the additional comments.

**REMARKS**

In the Shen patent, the first terminal element 22 and the second terminal element 23 are only connected to the lamp strip 1 by the screw caps 24 and the cylindrical body 21. But the amended claim 1 of the present application discloses the first and second covers specifically being formed outside the joints between the connectors and the ends by injection molding, whereby the covers are securely engaged. This is quite different from the Shen patent where longitudinal tension may separate the first and second terminal elements, and where those terminal elements are easily exposed to water which will cause poor connection.